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General Assembly

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10:00 [webcast] — 57th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

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Security Council

10:00 [webcast] — 8429th meeting — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

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Think Green!

Commemorative meeting on the occasion of the seventieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action held in accordance with General Assembly resolution 72/169 of 19 December 2017

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 November 2018 and 13 December 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

12:00 [webcast] | 58th plenary meeting | General Assembly Hall

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

Award ceremony for the United Nations Prize in the Field of Human Rights held in accordance with General Assembly decision 73/509 of 28 November 2018

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 27 November 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

15:00 [webcast] | 59th plenary meeting | General Assembly Hall

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

High-level plenary meeting on the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, with a view to giving impetus to its promotion in all regions, to be held in accordance with General Assembly resolution 72/247 of 24 December 2017

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of participants are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 November 2018, 11 December 2018 and 13 December 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Followed by | Consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultations Room

Middle East

Other matters

15:00 [webcast] | 8430th meeting | Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Document: S/2018/1103

Followed by | Consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultations Room

UNMISS

South Sudan sanctions

Other matters

Document: S/2018/1103

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General Assembly
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Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 - 12:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019

Documents: A/73/493 and A/73/625

12:00 - 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Progress report on the enterprise resource planning project

Documents: A/73/389, A/73/169 and A/73/607

15:00 - 17:30 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

Chapeau

Thematic cluster I: Special and personal envoys, advisers and representatives of the Secretary-General

Thematic cluster II: sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels, and other entities and mechanisms

United Nations Investigative Team to Promote Accountability for Crimes Committed by Da'esh/Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant

Thematic cluster III: regional offices, offices in support of political processes and other missions

United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan

United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq

Documents: A/73/352, A/73/352/Corr.1, A/73/352/Add.1, A/73/352/Add.2, A/73/352/Add.2/Corr.1, A/73/352/Add.3, A/73/352/Add.4, A/73/352/Add.5, A/73/352/Add.6, A/73/352/Add.6/Corr.1, A/73/352/Add.6/Corr.2, A/73/498, A/73/498/Add.1, A/73/498/Add.2, A/73/498/Add.3, A/73/498/Add.4, A/73/498/Add.5 and A/73/498/Add.6

17:30 - 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Construction and property management

Progress report on the implementation of a flexible workplace at United Nations Headquarters

Documents: A/73/370, A/73/370/Corr.1 and A/73/635

Links: Webs[illegible] and e-deleGATE Portal

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

15:00 - 18:00 291st meeting (closed) . Conference Room 1

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee.

The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public.

Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982.

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

The provisional agenda currently consists of the following item(s):

Entry visas issued by the host country

Other matters

Document: A/50/26

Contact: Surya Sinha (sinha1@un.org; 917-367-4067)

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

15:00 to 18:00 Informal briefing (closed) . Conference Room 2

Economic and Social Council

Session 2019

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

10:00 - 13:00 Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed) Conference Room 12

15:00 - 18:00 Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed) Conference Room 12

All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend.

Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Members elect of the Committee for 2019-2022 are also invited to attend.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

19 December 2018

10:00	60th plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall
	Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields - Item 14	
	Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit - Item 119	
	Documents: A/73/L.66	

Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

19 December 2018

10:00 - 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 - 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal	

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

19 December 2018

10:00 - 13:00	Meeting (at the ambassadorial level)	Conference Room 7
	Organizational Committee	

Economic and Social Council
Session 2019

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

19 December 2018

10:00 - 13:00	Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed)	Conference Room 12
15:00 - 18:00	Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed)	Conference Room 12
	All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend.	
	Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.	
	Members-elect of the Committee for 2019-2022 are also invited to attend.	

**Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services**

7 January 2019

10:00 - 13:00	Pre-session informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
	All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.	

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 14 December 2018

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

[archived video]

54th plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/73/392, A/73/392/Corr.1 and A/73/392/Corr.2) - Item 75

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations:

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/73/78, A/73/170 and A/73/343)

(ii) Draft resolutions (A/73/L.18/Rev.1, A/73/L.51, A/73/L.53 and A/73/L.61)

(iii) Draft amendments (A/73/L.64 and A/73/L.65).

(b) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/73/84 and A/73/84/Corr.1)

(c) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 75 and its sub-items (a), (b) and (c).

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the Sudan, Austria (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Norway, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Turkey, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine), Sweden and Canada (also on behalf of Argentina, Australia, Colombia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Mexico, New Zealand, Switzerland and Uruguay).

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

By 6 votes to 110, with 22 abstentions, the General Assembly rejected the draft amendment contained in document A/73/L.64.

The representative of the United States made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take · tion on draft resolution A/73/L.18/Rev.1, as follows:

59th operative paragraph (recorded vote) Yes: 137; No: 4; Abstentions: 6

As a whole (resolution 73/136) Adopted

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The representative of Viet Nam made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolution A/73/L.51, as follows:

29th preambular paragraph (recorded vote) Yes: 93; No: 13; Abstentions: 26

7th operative paragraph (recorded vote) Yes: 95; No: 14; Abstentions: 25

As a whole (resolution 73/137) Adopted

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/73/L.53 (resolution 73/138).

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

By 7 votes to 102, with 27 abstentions, the General Assembly rejected the draft amendment contained in document A/73/L.65.

The representative of the United States made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolution A/73/L.61, as follows:

58th and 59th operative paragraphs (recorded vote) Yes: 131; No: 3; Abstentions: 6

As a whole (resolution 73/139) Adopted

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Egypt, Israel and Iraq.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 75 and its sub-items (a) to (c).

Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/73/107) - Item 117 (e)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 117 (e).

The General Assembly took note of the appointment by the President of the General Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Iran as a member of the Committee on Conferences for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2019 and ending on 31 December 2021 (decision 73/411).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 117.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that the consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 116, originally scheduled for Monday, 17 December 2018, was postponed to Friday, 21 December; and that the consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 34, agenda item 37 and agenda item 41, originally scheduled for Monday, 17 December, was postponed to a later date to be announced.

Monday, 17 December 2018

Security Council

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8426th meeting — The situation in Afghanistan

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2018/1092)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Afghanistan, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Germany, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkey and Uzbekistan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Tadamichi Yamamoto, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan; Mr. Yury Fedotov, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime; and Ms. Ghizaal Haress, Independent Commission for Overseeing the Implementation of the Constitution.

The President invited Mr. Serge Christiane, Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Yamamoto, Mr. Fedotov (via video-teleconference from Vienna), Ambassador Kairat Umarov, Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan, in his capacity as the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011) and Ms. Haress.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Afghanistan.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, Kazakhstan, the United States, Sweden, the United Kingdom, Kuwait, Poland, France, Equatorial Guinea, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Ethiopia, Peru, the Russian Federation, China and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Côte d'Ivoire.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Canada, Germany, Italy, Tajikistan, Japan, Turkey, Australia, Uzbekistan and India.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Christiane (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its 28 Member States; the Candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; as well as Georgia, aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Belgium, Kyrgyzstan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

8427th meeting — Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

Letter dated 14 December 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Serbia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2018/1111)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Serbia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Under Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Hashim Thaçi to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Lacroix.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Aleksandar Vučić, President of the Republic of Serbia.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Thaçi.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the Netherlands, France, the United Kingdom, the United States, Kazakhstan, China, Sweden, Peru, Poland, Ethiopia, Equatorial Guinea, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kuwait and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Côte d'Ivoire.

The Council heard a further statement by His Excellency Aleksandar Vučić, President of the Republic of Serbia.

The Council heard a further statement by Mr. Thaçi.

8428th meeting

The summary of the 8428th meetings of the Security Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/244).

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55th-56th plenary meetings

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Eastern European Group (monthly meeting)

10:00 - 11:00 Closed meeting Conference Room F

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) Quarterly Briefing to Member States (A/RES/72/284) (organized by the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism)

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Contact: Yu Ping Chan (chan7@un.org; 917-367-3704)

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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